

## CLAIMS

1. A variable grip structure characterized in that an elastic member and a shaft body to which the elastic member  
5 is fixed are rotated relative to each other and means for keeping their relative rotating actions is provided.

2. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1, characterized in that the sectional shape of said elastic  
10 member is made a deformed shape.

3. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1, characterized in that slits or grooves are formed in the direction of the length of the external face of said elastic  
15 member.

4. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1, characterized in that the hardness of said elastic member is made partially different.  
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5. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1, characterized in that the surface roughness of said elastic member is made partially different.

25 6. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1, characterized in that said elastic member is configured of a base material and a non-base material, the non-base material area is partially provided in the base material, and the

hardness of the non-base material area is made greater than the hardness of the base material.

7. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1,  
5 characterized in that means of fixing said elastic member to the shaft body is provided such that at least one engaging portion is formed in either the internal face or the external face of each end of said elastic member, and an engagement  
receptacle portion engaging with the engaging portion is formed  
10 on at least either one of a forward member positioned ahead of said grip portion and a rear member positioned behind the grip portion.

8. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7,  
15 characterized in that the sectional shape of said engaging portion and engagement receptacle portion is T-shaped.

9. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7,  
characterized in that the configuration of said engaging  
20 portion and engagement receptacle portion are respectively a hole and a stub engaging with the hole.

10. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7,  
characterized in that said engaging portion and engagement  
25 receptacle portion are formed in a direction substantially parallel to the direction of the length of said shaft body.

11. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7, characterized in that said engaging portion and engagement receptacle portion are on at least either one of the forward end face and the rear end face of the grip.

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12. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7, characterized in that said engaging portion and engagement receptacle portion are formed in a direction perpendicular to the direction of the length of said shaft body.

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13. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1 or Claim 7, characterized in that a stopping portion is formed on the internal face of said grip, and that stopping portion is held between a plurality of shaft cylinders.

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14. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7, characterized in that said elastic member is held, in a state of being compressed in the lengthwise direction, between said forward member and rear member.

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15. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7, characterized in that a ring-shaped member composed of an elastic material intervenes inside either one of said forward member and rear member rotating relative to each other.

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16. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7, characterized in that said forward member and rear member rotating relative to each other are brought into contact and

ribs which are engaged with and disengaged from each other are formed in the contacting portions.

17. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7,  
5 characterized in that said forward member and rear member rotating relative to each other urge each other.

18. The variable grip structure according to Claim 7,  
characterized in that ribs which are engaged with and  
10 disengaged from each other are formed on the internal faces or the external faces of said forward member and rear member rotating relative to each other.

19. The variable grip structure according to Claim 1,  
15 characterized in that a restricting part is provided to restrict in the rotating directions of said forward member and rear member rotating relative to each other.

20. A variable grip structure for a writing tool, wherein  
20 the cylindrical body of the writing tool has a grip body composed by coupling in series a substantially cylindrical elastic member between a forward shaft constituting the cylindrical body and a rear shaft,

the forward end of said elastic member is fixed to the  
25 rear end of said forward shaft,

the rear end of said elastic member is firmly adhered to the forward end of said rear shaft, and

a rotational mechanism is provided in said serially coupled grip body to enable said forward shaft and said rear shaft to rotate relative to each other and to be stopped in a prescribed rotational position.

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